



Gary R. Herbert

Governor

State of Utah

Whereas, the people of Utah appreciate and support all military personnel who have served and currently serve to protect our country and our freedoms;

Whereas, we also recognize families, friends, and neighbors whose love and support are instrumental to the success and accomplishments of our service personnel;

Whereas, veterans and active duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces know better than anyone that freedom is not free, but has been dearly bought by the lives, sacrifices, and service of millions of courageous men and women who accomplished extraordinary things in the name of defending liberty;

Whereas, we revere and pay tribute to those who lost their lives, were wounded, were taken prisoner, or went missing in action; and

Whereas, we express gratitude to the U.S. Armed Forces and honor the heroism, patriotism, service, and sacrifice of service members who answer the call of duty, strengthening the Armed Forces' capabilities and mission readiness and ensuring that the safety of our nation is protected and secure;

Now, therefore, I, Gary R. Herbert, governor of the state of Utah, do hereby declare May 2016 as

Utah Armed Forces Day in Utah

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